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Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) of two (2) months in which to respond to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2005, with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the period for response from February 1, 2006 to April 1, 2006.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the credit card identified on the enclosed Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$450.00 for the fees associated with Fee Code 1252 in connection with payment of the extension fee. Applicants believe that no other fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for any fee deficiencies associated with filing this paper.

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